

**EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF
GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR
PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)**

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the full-text publication of all Executive Orders and Proclamations of General Applicability issued by the Governor. In addition, the *Register* shall include each statement filed by the Governor in granting a commutation, pardon or reprieve, or stay or suspension of execution where a sentence of death is imposed.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 97-12

**GOVERNOR'S 1997-98 AIR QUALITY
STRATEGIES TASK FORCE**

WHEREAS, healthy air prevents damage to the health of our citizens and enhances their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the Phoenix metropolitan area has been reclassified to serious nonattainment status for carbon monoxide, particulate matter and ozone by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the Clean Air Act Amendments 1990; and

WHEREAS, the area must demonstrate attainment of the ozone standard by 1999, the carbon monoxide standard by 2000, and the particulate standard by 2001; and

WHEREAS, the State is required to submit revisions of the Particulate Matter State Implementation Plan (SIP) by December 10, 1997, the Carbon Monoxide SIP by February 28, 1998, and Ozone SIP by December 1998; and

WHEREAS, submittal of complete and approvable carbon monoxide and particulate matter plans to the EPA by the deadlines is not feasible; and

WHEREAS, the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) has been working to prepare the carbon monoxide and particulate-related technical analyses necessary to support the identification of potential control measures and their impact on emissions and air quality; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality has been working to prepare the Reanalysis of the Metropolitan Phoenix Voluntary Early Ozone Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Western Regional Air Partnership is advancing implementation of the recommendation of the Grand Canyon Visibility Transport Commission; and

WHEREAS, the geographic extent of ozone pollution extends beyond the boundaries of Maricopa County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order 96-6, the Air Quality Strategies Task Force was established and fulfilled its mandate to recommend strategies to reduce

ozone, carbon monoxide and particulate matter violations; and

WHEREAS, the complexity of the Clean Air Act requirements and the need for new control measures to come in to compliance with the air quality standards necessitate timely action to assist in the evaluation of potential controls and their impacts on air quality and the economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Dee Hull, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Arizona, by the Constitution and Laws of the State, do hereby establish the Governor's 1997-98 Air Quality Strategies Task Force to:

1. Evaluate the feasibility of and time required for the area to demonstrate attainment of the applicable ozone, carbon monoxide and particulate standards and the consequences of failure attain.

2. Identify strategies to further reduce violations of carbon monoxide, ozone and particulate matter, considering the interactions between these pollutants and the measure to control them:

a) The Task Force shall coordinate with MAG and its contractors to share information and maintain consistency with the MAG planning process

b) The Task Force shall consider all control measures recommended in its December 1996 Report that have not been implemented and all control measure considered, but not recommended.

c) The Task Force shall review ozone, PM-10 and carbon monoxide control strategies currently implemented in other areas of the U.S. and evaluate their applicability and feasibility in Arizona

d) The Task Force shall solicit ideas and technologies for reducing pollution from the public, and shall assess the applicability and feasibility of technologies evaluated and assessed as having the potential to be effective at reducing emissions by the Technical Assistance Review Committee established pursuant to A.R.S. 49-554

e) The Task Force shall assess the impact

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of implementation of recommended pollution control measures on those sectors of the economy directly affected and, to the extent feasible, the economy of Maricopa County and the State as a whole.

- f) The Task Force shall prepare a report to the governor that describes the process and methods used to evaluate potential pollution control strategies, and make recommendations in regard to which control strategies should be implemented, the parties responsible for their implementation, costs and cost-effectiveness, and a procedure for evaluating the control strategies once implemented.
3. If the Task Force determines that achieving attainment by the applicable deadline for a particulate pollutant is not feasible, recommend, if possible, practical and cost-effective approaches to improve air quality. The Task Force should also describe potential institutional or legal changes that might contribute to increasing the feasibility of timely attainment
 4. Where possible, consider the relationship of potential pollution control measures to the recommendations of the Grand Canyon Visibility Transport Commission and related EPA rulemaking.
 5. Solicit and receive comments on these strategies from citizens, governmental agencies and other affected parties, on an ongoing basis and as an official part of each Task Force meeting.
 6. Develop proposals for legislative, regulatory, administrative and local government action. Advocate for and assist in the adoption and implementation of these strategies
 7. By January 30, 1998, prepare a draft report addressing the topics and issues identified in terms 1 through 3, above, and provide a public review and comment period. The final report shall be completed by February 16, 1998

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I
have hereunto set my hand and
caused to be affixed the Great
Seal of the State of Arizona.

JANE DEE HULL
Governor

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix
this Thirteenth day of November

in the Year of Our Lord One
Thousand Nine Hundred and
Ninety-Seven and of the
Independence of the United
States of America the Two
Hundred and Twenty-first

ATTEST:

BETSEY BAYLESS
Secretary of State